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Barenaked Ladies promote their new CD at the Key Arena.

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Central's cross country brings home awards from the PLU invitational.

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## Busted with Busch Beer

Officer Koch and officer Clasen (not shown) of the Central police department help two underage would-be partyers change their plans for the evening. See the related story on Page 4.

## Abortion pill offers another alternative

by Carol Garza  
Staff reporter

Women now have another option in terminating unwanted pregnancies. On Sept. 28, the Food and Drug Administration approved Mifepristone, whose brand name is Mifeprex, for use in terminating a pregnancy.

Lori Gredson of Yakima Planned Parenthood said she hopes the drug

will be available in the area as early as next year, but she does not know.

"Only physicians that can use Mifepristone are those that are able to do surgical intervention, if necessary, and those that have access to ultrasound, which we don't have right here so we wouldn't be able to give it out," Dr. Art DePalma, asso-

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Skylar Zoppi



Jessica Sutton

## BOD fills two vacant positions

By Andrew Fickes  
Staff reporter

Last Sunday, five candidates were interviewed by a selection committee for the two vacancies on the associates students of Central Washington University board of directors.

"I believe an appropriate candidate for either of these two positions would be someone who has appropriate skills, is reliable, competent, and hardworking," Maren Oates, ASCWU-BOD resident, said.

Of the five candidates, Skylar Zoppi was selected for vice president for equity and community service and Jessica Sutton was selected for vice president for academic affairs.

This past summer, the board of directors' positions of vice president for academic affairs and vice president for equity and community service were vacated.

Vice President for Academic Affairs, Nicole Holt, and Vice President for Equity and Community Service, Summer Russell, resigned their offices within months after the spring election.

Both gave personal reasons for their decisions and are no longer attending Central Washington University.

The positions were announced at the last ASCWU-BOD meeting,

"This position will allow me to give students what they deserve."

— Jessica Sutton

held at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 17 in Sam's Place.

Skylar Zoppi is a 23-year-old fifth-year senior at Central and is majoring in retail management.

"Over the past years, many faculty and fellow students have made my school career excellent," Zoppi said. "I wanted this position, so I could give back what they gave me and ensure a good future for Central students."

Jessica Sutton is a 19-year-old sophomore at Central and is majoring in elementary education.

"I love dealing with people. This position will allow me to give students what they deserve," Sutton said.

Oates and the selection committee took a long time in deciding who would be elected among the five candidates.

## Central's overall enrollment declines

by Mark Stevens  
Staff reporter

This fall Central Washington University welcomed its largest freshman class since 1996. However, overall enrollment lagged behind projected numbers and could cause budget cuts up to \$2 million.

"Competition for freshmen has been pretty strong in the state, and high school graduating classes have not been as large as the state initial-

ly predicted," Mike Reilly, director of admissions, said.

Central receives funding from Washington State based upon the projected enrollment of full time students. Last year estimates were overstated, causing Central's administration to make assurances to the legislature that recruitment would be intensified and enrollment levels met in the future would be high. With those assurances the state legislature allowed Central to keep state funding which would

otherwise have to be returned. After another year of enrollment below projections the legislature may ask for the money back.

The only groups that met projections so far are freshmen and the students at the Yakima satellite center. Seniors, juniors, sophomores and graduate students at the Ellensburg campus and around the region are all below estimates.

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# Campus Cops



**Oct. 8, 10:43 p.m.**

A residential assistant in Alford-Montgomery reported someone dislodged twelve black keys from the hall piano. The estimated damage is \$75.

**Oct. 9, 7:55 a.m.**

A gel bicycle seat was stolen off of a bike locked in a rack at Stephens-Whitney. The estimated loss is \$50.

**Oct. 9, 4:10 p.m.**

A 35-year-old woman reported she injured her forearm and shoulder three days prior in an elevator at the Psychology Building. The woman said the elevator door opened between levels, and upon exiting she tripped and fell. Maintenance technicians inspected the elevator and reported it was in working order.

**Oct. 10, 5:31 p.m.**

Officers responded to Brooklane village after a 15-year-old boy saw two people scratch a 1974 Dodge pick-up truck and urinate in the gas tank.

**Oct. 10, 8 p.m.**

A gel bicycle seat was stolen off of a bike locked in a rack at Stephens-Whitney. The estimated loss is \$40.

**Oct. 11, 12:15 a.m.**

Police investigated the smell of marijuana in the A-section of Moore Hall. People in the area were contacted, but the source of the smell was not determined.

**Oct. 12, 12:27 a.m.**

A 21-year-old man was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol (DUI) near 14th and Alder.

**Oct. 13, 12:15 a.m.**

Officers responded to a possible fight in Carmody-Munro and cited two 18-year-old men and one 18-year-old woman for being minors in possession (MIP). For one of the men, this was his third MIP in three weeks.

**Oct. 13, 10:45 p.m.**

Two men from Spanaway were seen hiding beer boxes under their shirts while walking near Wilson Hall. When officers approached the men, they hid the boxes near a car and attempted to walk away. The officers confronted the men, an 18-year-old man and a 19-year-old man, and cited them for MIP.

**Oct. 14, 1:09 a.m.**

A 19-year-old man was cited for DUI in the I-15 parking lot. The passenger, who fled the car when the police pulled the car over, was chased down and cited for MIP.

**Oct. 14, 2:15 a.m.**

Officers responded to a blue light phone near Quigley Hall. Upon arrival a 19-year-old man admitted to pushing the emergency button on the phone and was cited for MIP in the N-19 parking lot.

**Oct. 15, 6 a.m.**

A 23-year-old man notified police he was locked out of a Brooklane Village apartment he was house sitting for his girlfriend. Officers asked the man for identification and discovered he was wanted for an outstanding felony. The man was arrested and taken to the Kittitas County Jail.

**Oct. 15, 8:30 p.m.**

Police responded to a theft in the second degree in Brooklane Village. A woman reported jewelry was missing from her apartment. The estimated loss is \$400.

**Oct. 15, 10:10 p.m.**

A gel bicycle seat was stolen off of a bike locked in a rack at Holmes Dining Hall. The estimated loss is \$50.

The campus police Web site was recently updated and now includes information on crime prevention.

For more campus crime and updates on cases, go to <http://www.cwu.edu/~police>.

## PILL: Mifeprex may be available next year

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ciate director of Student Health and Counseling Center, said.

When approved, women age 16 and over in the state of Washington would have access to Mifepristone without parental permission. Each state decides what guidelines they will set for a woman seeking an abortion. Some states require parent's consent.

"Depending upon how the protocols work out, Planned Parenthood nationally and at the affiliate level is poised to be ready to offer the service," said Gredson. "Certainly the approval of a drug like this one would open up the possibility, under the right guidelines, that our other clinics (those who do not perform surgical abortion) could offer the option to a woman who was very early in a pregnancy and decided to terminate."

Currently the only Central Washington Planned Parenthood that offers abortions is the Tri-Cities clinic.

Yakima, Walla Walla, Ellensburg, and Sunnyside make up the rest of the Central Washington Planned Parenthood, along with other outreach offices throughout the area.

A woman seeking a medical termination of a pregnancy with Mifepristone must sign a consent form to have a surgical evacuation to terminate the pregnancy if miscarriage does not occur during the specified time.

The reason for this is because the baby will be born with birth defects from the drug.

"The drug must be taken in the first seven weeks of conception, but cannot be used until 10 days after a pregnancy is confirmed," Judy Phelps, executive director of the Ellensburg Pregnancy Care Center, said.

Planned Parenthood has a fact sheet outlining how the process

“[The center is here to] support women in an unplanned” pregnancy.

— Judy Phelps

works. The first step is to take 600 milligrams of Mifepristone, which destroys the embryo. Three days later, she returns to take 400 milligrams of Misoprostol. This drug induces uterine contractions causing the embryo and other tissue to evacuate the uterus. Fourteen days later, she must visit with her physician for a follow-up visit to make sure the embryo was aborted.

Side effects to this drug include bleeding, cramping, headaches, vomiting, and diarrhea. A doctor who administers this pill must be within a 100-mile radius of a hospital because there is a chance the woman may experience hemorrhaging.

Texas Governor George W. Bush said he feared that making the drug widespread would increase abortion. Vice-President Al Gore praised the FDA's approval of the drug.

Gore said it was a health and safety issue for women and their right to choose.

Women can go many places for counseling about their choices.

Phelps said her center is here to "support women in a unplanned pregnancy." The center gives pregnancy tests and informs women of their options if they find out they are pregnant. They offer counseling to women who have had an abortion and are troubled over their decision.

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# Central programs focus on women's safety

by Melanie Martinez  
Staff reporter

Plenty of groups and programs on Central's campus are taking a proactive approach toward women's safety.

One such program is new on campus and teaches men to be more proactive against crimes toward women.

The program is called MVP, Mentors in Violence Prevention, headed by Katrina Whitney.

"The MVP Model Program is an approach to gender violence and bullying prevention that was developed to change abusive behavior by using student leaders to speak out against all forms of violent and abusive behavior."

To learn about MVP, contact Katrina Whitney at 963-2128.

"SafeRide has been used as an escort service and a designated dri-

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- Never leave a drink unattended
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ver, but the SafeRide program will also be used for women's safety."

Farmer encourages women to use the service on any occasion where safety is of concern.

High risk behavior, like high levels of alcohol consumption can make you a potential for violent occur-

rences," Steve Rittereiser, Central's chief of police, said.

Rittereiser added that when walking alone at night people need to stay in lighted walkways and try to stay in groups.

He also warned that students interested in meeting individuals on the Internet should proceed with caution.

"Also people should never give personal information like your address over the phone to unknown persons," Rittereiser said, "Women also need to be aware of the date rape drug Rophinol, otherwise known as GHB. Although there has not been any reports of the date rape drug on campus it is still out there. People need to remember that it is not solely the responsibility of the women to protect themselves. It is the man's responsibility not to take advantage of the situation and to look out for the young women around."



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The Student Empowerment Center and Wellness Center both offer information on campus safety.



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## Folds-n-fun

Robin Dyer learns the art of origami with the help of AUAP student Aki Matsuo at an Alford-Montgomery hall program. Students ate sushi and appreciated Japanese culture.

## Magic Johnson declines Central visit

by Dana McDonnell  
Staff reporter

"This is the way that agents act," Diversity Center Coordinator Carolyn Malone heard last Tuesday after she mentioned that Magic Johnson wouldn't be visiting Central Washington University to give a speech about sports and HIV at this year's Homecoming.

For the past few months Malone and Student Coordinator Mike Griggs have been raising money and soliciting donations from the community, Central professors, and other Central departments and organizations so that Magic Johnson could visit.

Together, Malone and Griggs

raised \$5,000 in donations.

An additional \$3,000 was donated by Campus Life.

For the past few months, Malone had been in close contact with Magic Johnson's lawyer, confirming daily that Magic Johnson would visit.

In each conversation, Malone always received an assured, "Yes." However the response from Magic Johnson's lawyer suddenly changed Tuesday, Oct. 3 when Malone received a phone call, from him saying that Johnson wouldn't be able to appear.

When Malone questioned why he would cancel after so much planning, the answer was that Magic Johnson had made other arrangements.

Malone, then contacted The

Magic Johnson Foundation. In response, the Magic Johnson Foundation sent a letter which said, "Unfortunately, due to the enormous demands placed on Mr. Johnson's schedule, he will not be able to accept this invitation [to CWU]. On behalf of Mr. Johnson, I would like to thank you for this special invitation and wish you the best of luck on this event."

Although disappointed, Malone thanks all those who helped in donating money.

Some of the contributors who donated money include Dr. McIntyre, Dr. David Dauwalder, Wellness Clinic Director Bob Trumpy, Jen Grigg and Dr. Mancer.

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### Eyes on news

#### Election website offers information

A site for the 2000 elections has been created by Central's library for use by students and staff. The site is located at [www.lib.cwu.edu/info/elections/html](http://www.lib.cwu.edu/info/elections/html). The site includes information about how students can register to vote and includes links to state information on candidates, political parties, campaign finances and other information.

#### Art grant available

Funds are now available for the Arts Education Community Consortia. The grant is for people working toward improving the arts programming in their local public school and other facilities. Those must have served youth occurring between July 1, 2001 and June 30, 2002. The deadline is Feb. 23, 2001. For an application, call the Arts in Education Program at (360)753-3861 or visit the website at [www.wa.gov/art](http://www.wa.gov/art).

#### Central lowers flags in honor of victims

Flags on campus were half-staff last Monday as directed by President Clinton to respect for those who died on the US Ship Cole. Terrorists hit the ship last week. Twelve bodies have been recovered.

#### Beath and Martin head search committees

Dr. Linda Beath, professor of curriculum and supervision, will serve as chair of the search committee for the provost/senior vice president for Academic Affairs. Dr. Terry Martin, professor of English, will serve as chair of the search committee for Student Affairs/Enrollment Management.

# Emphasis patrol cracks down on crime

by Amber Eagar  
Staff reporter

Nineteen-year-old Christopher Hintz was visiting friends on Friday, but ended up spending the rest of the night at the Kittitas County Corrections Facility.

Hintz was arrested for driving while intoxicated during an emphasis patrol early Saturday morning.

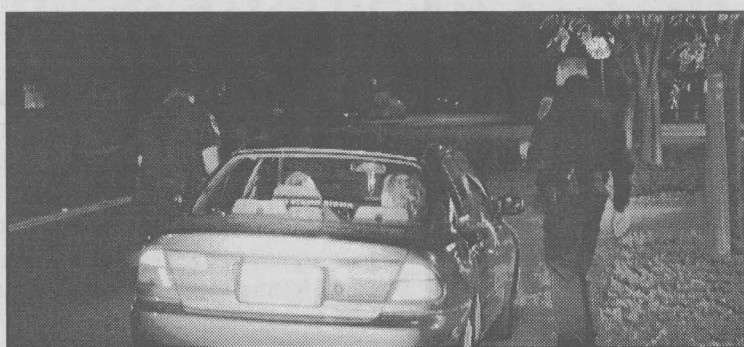
He was one of two people arrested that night.

Central Washington University's Director of Public Safety, Steve Rittereiser, organized these patrols.

Emphasis patrols are a cooperation of local law enforcement agencies, where the target of the enforcement is on traffic safety and alcohol laws.

The patrols aren't new, but in the past the emphasis has been on traffic safety.

"We had spent six or eight months last year talking about the new alcohol sanctions on campus, the parental notification program, the prime for life classes and letting people know that these ... new sanctions would begin in the fall [of this year] and we



Matt Erickson/Observer

Officers Clasen and Koch perform one of many routine traffic stop which help increase their effectiveness at catching violators of alcohol laws.

felt that an increased law enforcement presence would be appropriate at the same time," Rittereiser said.

"We have over the first [three] weekends of the school year, conducted a joint county wide emphasis patrol within the city limits of Ellensburg," Ellensburg Police Department Captain Bob Richey said. "[The patrols] will continue throughout the school year but at a reduced level."

"Placing a lot of patrol people out there, a lot of resources in one area, it either costs some overtime or takes

people away from other areas of our county or city," Rittereiser said. "We felt that we did the emphasis patrols as long as we could without jeopardizing appropriate patrol coverage."

The emphasis patrols have not changed the way the university police patrol.

The only difference is that there have been other agencies involved with the university police the past few weekends.

"[We're] trying to create a safe environment for the community, but also a safe environment for the stu-

## Patrol statistics

Oct. 29  
\*contacts: 118  
DUI's: 3  
traffic tickets: 8  
criminal citations: 38  
(33 alcohol related)

Oct. 6-7  
\*contacts: 177  
DUI's: 2  
traffic tickets: 4  
criminal citations: 31  
(27 alcohol related)

Oct. 13  
\*contacts: 51  
DUI's: 2  
traffic tickets: 3  
criminal citations: 9  
(9 alcohol related)  
Kittitas County did not participate this night.

\*Not all contacts resulted in an arrest, ticket, or citation.

dents," Richey said.

Agencies involved in the patrols include the Washington State Patrol, Kittitas County Sheriffs Office, the Ellensburg Police Department, and Central's Public Safety Department.

## Gala begins the new year with 'blue jeans day'

by Heather Bell  
Staff reporter

Central Washington University's Gala club sponsored National Coming Out Day last Wednesday. The purpose of the event was to raise awareness about gay issues and provide a supportive atmosphere for people to come out.

"The event was received fairly well by CWU students," Jason Szeto, Gala president, said.

In years past, this event has sparked controversy among Central

students. Annually, the club puts up posters reading, "It's national wear blue jeans if you're gay day."

The implication has made a few people uncomfortable and drawn criticism in the past.

"Every club draws controversy, maybe this one more because people feel uncomfortable with the subject," Jamie Kirk, junior pre-law major, said.

Some students feel Central and the town of Ellensburg are very closed-minded about the issue. According to the Chamber of

Commerce, Central students account for nearly half of the residents in Ellensburg and may or may not be affected by the small-town atmosphere.

"Central represents the Ellensburg small town feeling," Chris Fleharty, senior math education major, said.

This was the first event of the year for the club," Szeto said. "They were 'testing the waters to see what campus is like this year.'"

National Coming Out Day was the first of a number of upcoming

events sponsored by Gala. One of the biggest events of the year, "World AIDS Day," will take place in December. Students can also look forward to "Freedom to Marry," a staged wedding between a gay couple.

"This year Gala is working hard to get other universities involved with CWU's Gala," said Szeto.

Gala meets at 6 p.m. every Tuesday in the Chief Owhi Room in the SUB.

The club is open to all interested students.

## STUDENTS: Freshman numbers rise, others fall

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In total, Central could be 400 students short of projections given to the legislature.

However, the 1,063 new freshmen are cause for optimism. Their ethnic make-up and high school

grade point averages may well make them the most diverse and talented class to ever attend Central.

"That's the group (freshmen) that you retain three or four years here - and they become your base of returning students," Reilly said.

Efforts to retain current students have also shown to be successful as

90 percent of this year's junior class came back after the summer. If the trends continue, future enrollment numbers are likely to increase, and more students will hit the books in Ellensburg.

The statistics discussed, which include Central's Ellensburg and satellite campuses, come from the work of the Office of Institutional Research.

"We compile reports on our academic programs for our internal decision maker for planning purposes internally. And as well we file reports

with the Federal and State governments, mainly about our students, as well about our faculty," Mark Lundgren, director of Institutional Studies, said.

During the advisory council meeting Jerilyn McIntire, president of Central, suggested that the university needs to work to 'regain credibility with the legislature' in the coming years.

The President's Advisory Council is working on an action plan to determine the cause of the problem and how to deal with the financial impact.



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# Inoculations help students prepare for flu season



photo illustration by Kim Nowacki

The Student Health and Counseling Center will offer free flu shots beginning in mid-November.

by Danielle Douglass  
Staff Reporter

Fever, body aches, low energy, sneezing, general discomfort and trouble sleeping? It's probably the flu.

Young adults are the healthiest group among the population, but the flu is contagious, so anyone can get it.

In the United States, an average of 20,000 people die each year from the influenza virus.

The flu season starts in November and can last until March, but there are ways to prevent this miserable infection.

The best way to prevent the flu is to get vaccinated with flu serum. It is critical that you are not sick and do not have a fever when you receive the shot.

"I'm not going to get it because I don't like shots," senior health education major Jessie Carson said.

The flu shot is being offered for free in the Student Health and Counseling Center beginning in mid-November.

Students can also get the shot

from their private physicians, and most health clinics offer them.

Celica C. Johnson, a registered nurse in the Student Health and Counseling Center, said, "Don't get sick and then come get the flu shot—it'll be too late; but you can get well and get it."

The shot lasts for one year after the day it is administered. Even if you have had the flu, it is recommended that you get the shot anyway because it is possible to contract it more than once.

"They say that [it will be worse] every year. I don't expect it to be. The only thing is, we are giving the shots later this year, so we might see more flu on campus," Johnson said.

The flu can last for three to seven days. Dr. Arthur Depalma, medical director of the Student Health and Counseling Center said antibiotics are not effective in treating the flu. They can actually make it worse if a patient is allergic to them, and they may cause resistant organisms if people use them too much.

"There is medication that can be taken to shorten the course of the flu, but usually the flu will run its

course," Depalma said.

Students can ask their physicians for information about prevention.

Aside from getting the shot, Johnson suggests that students eat healthy, get plenty of rest and avoid alcohol.

"Before you eat, make sure you wash your hands, don't share drinking glasses and make sure that your immune system is good," Johnson said.

Intelligence Enterprise Health suggests taking vitamin C, taking deodorized garlic, exercising regularly, drinking lots of water, eating carrots, broccoli, sweet potatoes and tomatoes and taking zinc.

If you take zinc, however, avoid taking more than 2 or 3 milligrams of copper because the two interact.

Some people are more susceptible to catching the flu. People who have asthma, diabetes and immune system problems are at higher risks because they have weaker immune systems.

"Yes, I'm going to get it because I don't want to get the flu and my mom's a doctor," junior public relations major Melissa Chambers said.

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# OPINION

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## Observance

### Technology brings scary dimension to driving

How many of you remember playing racecar video games as kids? They were my absolute favorite; I loved the thrill of having to dodge the other cars and objects littering the road. I guess when you're 8 years old, going on 16, and the consequences of a major accident mean little more than starting back at zero, driving is fun. I couldn't say the same today.

With the advent of the technology revolution, real life driving is beginning to look a lot like the games I used to love, only the consequences are real. Today it's not the virtual car spinning out on an oil slick beside you that you have to avoid, but a real car driven by someone trying to maintain a conversation on his cell phone. In the extreme case, you may even come across a driver checking his email or receiving a fax.

In either instance, staying in the lanes and paying attention to speed usually become second priorities for the distracted driver. Depending on the topic of conversation, the fool will either ride the fast lane going 55, or alternate between 50 and 85. Nine times out of 10, his car will also swerve back and forth between the lanes, forcing all other drivers into an involuntary game of chicken as they attempt to pass on the right.

As in days of old, fast reflexes and swift dodging become top priority for those wishing to play another day. It's not points you're working for now, but rather survival. I can't count the number of times I've almost been run off the road by tech-infested drivers not paying an ounce of attention to what they (or their cars) are doing.

I hate to be the party pooper here; I enjoy talking on the phone as much as the next person. But since I find myself fearing for my life every time I get on the road, I have to ask, who decided it was a good idea to install phones, computers, fax machines and even TVs in cars? Seriously, aren't there enough distractions on the road as is, like for instance, those huge electronic billboards or the guy passing you who is picking his nose?

If I were to play society's psychologist for a moment, I'd say the problem runs much deeper than a need to stay in touch. It has been born of two larger and more complex problems. First, people are just WAY too busy. It seems 10- and 12-hour work days are becoming the norm for most professionals. That means all the social things people used to enjoy (like catching up with friends on the phone) now have to be squeezed into the few hours left after the workday ends; often the most opportune time to do so is while fighting traffic on the way home.

Secondly, the attention span of the average person is significantly shorter since television has been introduced as the central figure in most American homes. With the new need for constant entertainment, taking in the scenery while driving just isn't as fun anymore... or at least not as fun as surfing the Web or watching South Park unfold on the dash.

It would be nice if the situation were as easy to solve as a video game; I'd hit the power button and my problems would be solved. However, I realize that until our society learns how to relax, the problem will continue and likely get worse. My best advice? If you value your life, rent a Nintendo tonight and practice up on those dodging skills.

—Roslyn Biggs



Cartoon by Tim Austen

## Letters

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### Students' votes can make a difference

Dear Observer,

While everyone is sitting at home content with the newly extended cable package, I am here to help Central Washington students become more informed about the importance of voting.

There is nothing more important than voting. This country runs on the votes that people check off near election time. Why else would foreigners want to live here? We are given the right to vote, not the choice to vote.

After reading the editor's article concerning the importance of voting, I was so very shocked by her last statement. Basically saying that, if you don't know who to vote for, don't vote at all. Sorry, I'm a teacher, and a natural helper. I just want to try and save the world in my allotted 350 words or less.

If you have been happy with your lives for the last eight years, then vote for Gore. Al Gore has been giving his expert advice to Clinton for some time now. We all know that Clinton is a great president, but maybe not the best man for the job. Ever since he took office, he has been in the spotlight for smoking marijuana, and being involved in extramarital affairs. Gore stands for more money into education; he is not a "gun-grabber," like all the commercials tell you.

Al Gore is a humanitarian who supports the maintenance of our Earth; he is promoting production of the new electric-hybrid automobile engines that are cleaner and more efficient in fuel economy. The cars won't be able to

dip on the freeways, but they will keep you within the speed limits. Oh, did I mention the middle-class tax cut? Yeah, makes sense, the rich can pay taxes, the poor shouldn't have to, and the middle-class gets screwed, vote Gore.

I will now discuss Bush (Satan), wish me luck. Bush is just like his daddy. We will go to war, bully other countries and steal their oil, increase the national debt, and continue to pollute the Earth, which will then lead to massive sickness, emotional and physical. Please vote for your country.

Lonnie W. Hyde  
Health/Fitness Education

### Private industry flyers belong elsewhere

Dear CWU Administration,

A fundamental cornerstone in the foundation of our nation is the "separation of church and state." (The quotations to reflect the need to separate any private institution from state, not merely those that are religious in nature.) The reason behind this, of course, is to allow the uninfluenced pursuit of "religious" worship within our communities. We have practitioners of many faiths in the United States, and Ellensburg is no exception.

One means of exposing and sharing ideals is to form clubs. Central has many of these devoted to a variety of

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## MEETINGS

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## Thursday, October 19

**Psychology Club**

Psychology Building, 2nd floor student lounge, noon

**American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES)**

SUB, 1:30 p.m.

**CWU Horn Club**

Hertz Hall, noon

**College Democrats**

Psychology Building 257, 7 p.m.

**Phi Beta Lambda (PBL)**

Shaw-Smyser 132, 6 p.m.

**Philosophy Club**

SUB Owhi Room, 7 p.m.

**Drop-In Relaxation Group**

Wickerath Lounge, Health and Counseling Center, 4 p.m.

## Sunday, October 22

**Catholic Campus Ministry Mass**

Mary Grupe Center, 7 p.m.

## Monday, October 23

**Swing Cats**

SUB ballroom, 7 p.m.

**CWU Rodeo Club**

SUB 204/205, 7 p.m.

**Alpha Phi Omega**

SUB 210, 5 p.m.

**Rejoyce in Jesus Bible Study**

SUB Yakama Room, 7:30 p.m.

**Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)**

Hebeler 121, 6 p.m.

**Catholic Campus Ministry Prayer & Praise Bible Study**

CCM Center, 7 p.m.

## Tuesday, October 24

**SALT Co.**

CMA Church, 8 p.m.

**GALA**

SUB Chief Owhi Room, 6 p.m.

**Student Council for Exceptional Children**

Black 201, 6 p.m.

**Washington Student Lobby**

SUB 209, 6 p.m.

**S&A Funding Committee**

SUB 209, 4 p.m.

## Wednesday, October 25

**Circle K**

SUB 204, 5:30 p.m.

**CWU Astronomy Club**

Lind Hall 215, 8 p.m.

**Catholic Campus Ministry Timeout Discussion**

CCM Center, 7 p.m.

**Campus Ambassadors**

SUB 215, 6:30 p.m.

**CWU Trombone Consort**

Hertz 121, 9:30 p.m.

**Campus Crusade for Christ**

SUB Theatre, 7 p.m.

**PRSSA**

SUB 206/207, 5 p.m.

To be listed, email [biggsr@cwu.edu](mailto:biggsr@cwu.edu)

## Guest Column:

Super SUB plans revamped to include opportunities for student recreation

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## Maren Oates

ASCWU-BOD President



Lately many people have been asking me, "What happened to the plan for a new Super SUB?" Well the idea hasn't disappeared, but recently an

informal steering committee of students and administrative members was put together to think about all the other facilities that are needed to support student services and activities on this campus.

We realized that by focusing strictly on the combination of a traditional union building and dining services we were overlooking other important options to satisfy students'

"The quality of education we receive is most important, but what makes the college experience most enjoyable is the quality of life..."

— Maren Oates

needs. By expanding our way of thinking we are really trying to find ways to improve the quality of life that we, as students, receive at Central.

Most people know that the existing SUB is an old building. Parts of it are from the 1920s and the latest remodel was back in 1969. Whatever we plan to build is going to be around for a long time. So wouldn't it be best to invest student money into facilities that really have the students' needs in mind?

That's right, I said student money because we own the union building and we must have a say in what happens to our new facilities, because this could dramatically affect the lives of future students at Central.

The bookstore, student government and activity offices, cafes, lounge areas, and meetings rooms are very important, but what about our need for recreation, which includes intramural activities, individual fitness, outdoor programming, and daycare centers? Those are

some of the new ideas that we feel need to be included. At this point, we are trying to figure out what the students want and determine if there will be one or more buildings when the project is finished.

For those of you that have been around a while, maybe you are tired of hearing about a new idea for the union building or student facilities, but try to think about why you enjoy going to school here and why Central is your home. The quality of education we receive is most important, but what makes the college experience most enjoyable is the quality of life that goes along with it. Ellensburg is a great community, but it doesn't always have the activity choices we are looking for, so it is up to us to create the opportunities at Central.

I encourage all students to stop by my office in SUB 116, email [ascwu@cwu.edu](mailto:ascwu@cwu.edu), or call 963-1693 to contribute ideas and alert us to anything we may be overlooking. You own this building, so please tell us if you think we are headed in the right direction.

## Letters Continued

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causes. Some are academic, some athletic, religious, game oriented, or what not. These are university-sanctioned clubs with support from the university body and administration. They operate within guidelines for university clubs established by administrators and educators for CWU. All of these clubs, employees and rule makers are "state" employees or property.

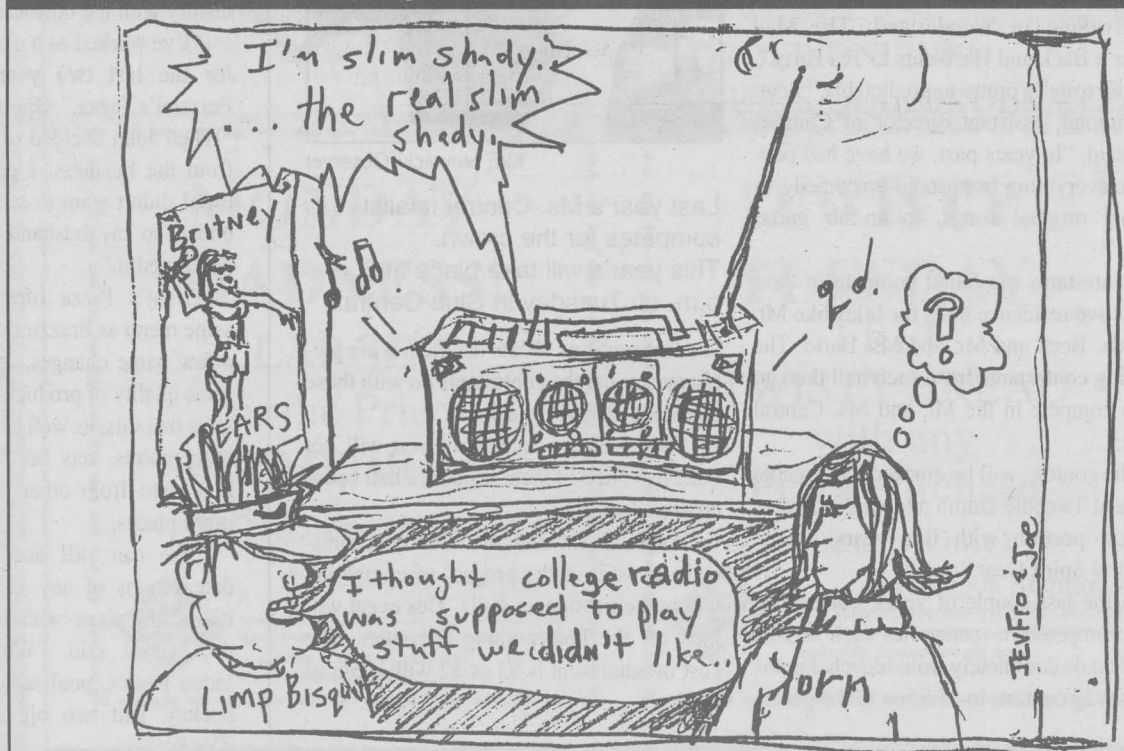
My question that I pose to the reader of this and CWU administrators, is why are non-university religious events being allowed to post flyers on campus? For that matter, why are private industries being allowed to post on campus? Let us remove the commercial distractions from our public spaces, and let education be what we are here to think about.

Austin Smith

Ellensburg resident and CWU student

We want to hear what you have to say. Write a letter to the editor and submit it to Bouillon 222 no later than 5 p.m. Monday

## Guest Cartoon by Jozef Urban &amp; Jevfro Cleboando





# SCENE

## Quote of the week

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“Real knowledge is to know the extent of one’s ignorance.”  
—Confucius

## Barenaked Ladies rock Key Arena with their unique sound and stage antics



Column by Bevin Parrish  
Asst. Scene editor

Five guys in matching shirts, a Britney Spears spoof, a chef playing maracas and shoe jokes, the Barenaked Ladies concert had it all.

Last Saturday night at the Key Arena in Seattle, the Barenaked Ladies hit the stage to promote their new CD “Maroon.”

The concert opened with a group from Boston called Guster, who described themselves as “wuss rock.” Then, Barenaked Ladies took the stage and sang to a background of a large clown-like face, surrounded by two enormous balloons of the character on their new CD cover and a chef playing maracas. They played all their big hits: “Brian Wilson,” “The Old Apartment,” “If I Had a Million Dollars,” “One Week,” “All Been Done Before” and their new single “Pinch Me,” along with many others.

Yet there was much more to the concert than them playing song after song. The Barenaked Ladies told jokes and stories, sang a medley of Steven Page (left) and Ed Robertson, (right) of Barenaked Ladies, performed their fun filled whimsical music last Saturday at the Key Arena. They are currently on a U.S. Tour to promote their new CD ‘Maroon.’

Bevin Parrish/Observer

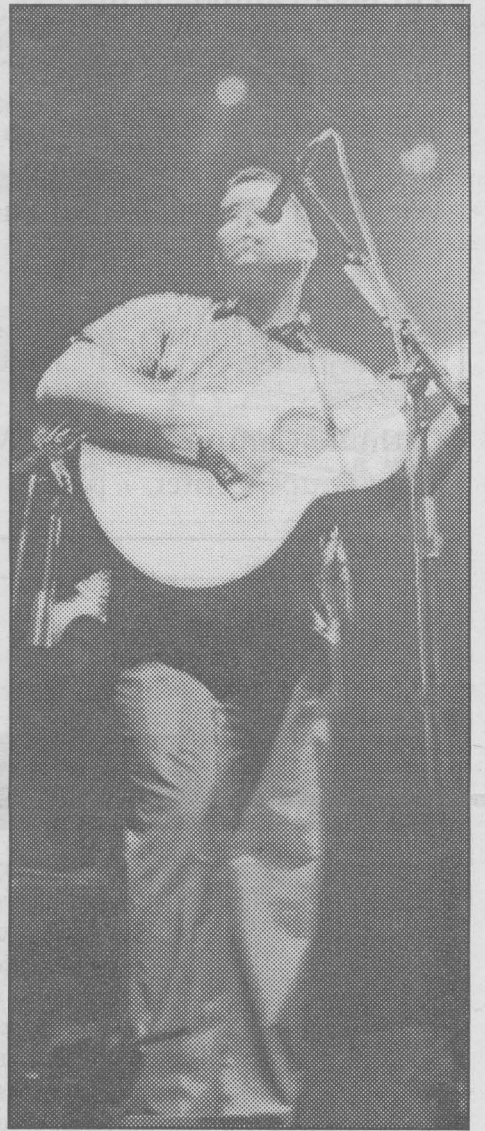
other people’s hits like “Music” by Madonna, “Bye Bye Bye” by ‘N Sync and “Real Slim Shady” by Eminem. They entertained the audience in a way not many groups attempt to. They even brought a local twist to the show by rapping about Microsoft and taking a break during their performance of “If I Had a Million Dollars” to talk about Pike Place Market and throwing fish. And just as it has become customary to do at their shows because of the reference in the song, people in the audience brought Kraft Macaroni and Cheese, along with a stuffed monkey, to throw on the stage during “If I Had a Million Dollars.”

The show was spontaneous and spur of the moment unlike so many other stale concerts in which the band just goes through the motions. The Barenaked Ladies were full of energy, not only to entertain the audience but to entertain each other as well. It was obvious that they like what they do, and not just for the paycheck. The chemistry between them did not stop when they left the stage; it was evident that these guys are great friends.

The Barenaked Ladies, who are originally from Toronto, first formed around 1989. They have built a devoted fan base throughout Canada and the United States, particularly among college students. This has been accomplished through their nonstop touring.

They received a record deal after their 1991 self-titled tape reached the Top 20 in Canada. The Barenaked Ladies released “Gordon” in

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## Mr. and Ms. Central meet the Mad Hatter for next weeks final

By Melissa Mitchell  
Staff reporter

The annual Mr. and Ms. Central contest will take center stage at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24 in Club Central. This year’s theme is “Evening in Wonderland: The Mad Hatter’s Back and He Wants to Tea Party.”

“It’s usually pretty unpredictable,” Scott Drummond, assistant director of Campus Life said. “In years past, we have had people do everything from stand-up comedy, to singing original songs, to an air guitar band.”

Contestants must first compete in their respective residence halls for titles like Mr. and Ms. Beck and Mr. and Ms. Barto. The winning contestants from each hall then go on to compete in the Mr. and Ms. Central contest.

The contest will be emceed by Tweedle Dee and Tweedle Dumb and will include a fashion portion with this years’ theme “Central Spirit Gear.”

In the last couple of years, contestants have competed in categories such as best outfit made completely from recycled items and a drag contest, in addition to the gener-



Kim Nowacki/Observer

Last year’s Ms. Central finalist competes for the crown. This year’s will take place at 6 p.m. on Tuesday in Club Central.

al talent portions. While the themes are pre-planned, what the contestants do with those themes is always a surprise.

“You will see something you will not believe,” Nick French, residence hall council president, said.

Potential Mr. and Ms. Central contestants are still in the process of competing within their residence halls. This event will kick off the homecoming festivities. The cost of admission is \$3 or \$2 with a can of food.

## Grant’s Pizza, same food, new name

by Kelly Allen  
Staff reporter

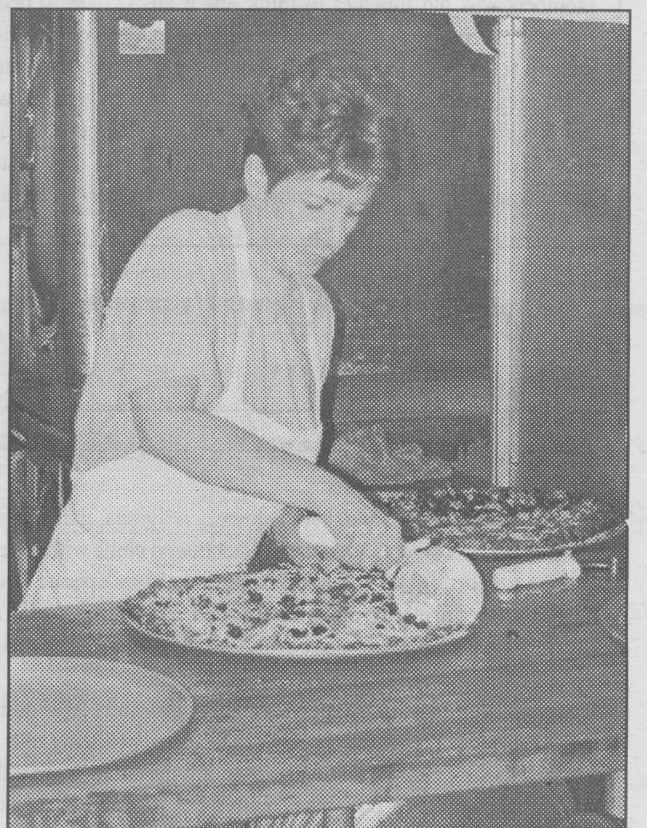
The name has changed, but the pizza is still the same. Frazzini’s Pizza is now Grant’s Pizza.

Kathy Grant, a longtime Ellensburg resident, is the new owner, though she does have a history with the business.

“I’ve worked as a manager for the last two years for Frazzini’s Pizza,” Grant said. “When John decided to retire from the business, I decided that I didn’t want to see it go under, so my husband and I purchased it.”

Grant’s Pizza offers the same menu as Frazzini’s, with a few name changes, and the same quality of product. Grant feels that this, as well as a few other points, sets her restaurant apart from other dine-in pizza places.

“We can still accommodate groups of any size and it’s a fun place with lots to do,” Grant said. “We have video games, pool tables, air hockey, and two big screen TVs.”



Matt Erickson/Observer

Kathy Grant, new owner of ‘Grant’s Pizza’, serves one up for her customers.

Grant is happy to see business picking up with the new school year and hopes to see more students experience an old favorite under a new name.



## 'Must See TV' meets the pen of John Hieger



**John Hieger**

by John Hieger  
Staff reporter

Sometimes I wonder if I'm the only person who's paying attention

when I watch TV. Maybe it's because I probably have A.D.D. and the only thing in this world that captures my attention for more than ten seconds at a time is that box.

So when it comes to TV or music, I'm convinced most Americans just don't pay any attention. How else is Fred Durst taken seriously? Because he wants to break stuff? My point is this, most people are suckers who will bite on anything that's thrown their way. If the puppet masters at MTV tell you this song rocks, well then by God, it must rock. How else is Kid Rock not living in a dumpster right now?

TV is trash. How much smarter do you really feel after watching Judge Judy? The other night I was watching the Mariners play the Yankees and some plug for NBC came on which almost made me throw my beer through the screen.

There was some ad from the

show "ER" with football players, knee deep in blood, wheeling patients around while munitions were exploding in the background. What does that have to do with a show about doctors? At the end of the clip, a voice said, "A night when America comes together." What? If that's what happens when Americans come together then I don't even want to know what "Must See TV" does to people in Eastern Europe.

If the networks aren't going to put any thought into it, then why not give us what we want? I propose it's time porn goes prime-time. Trade in "Dharma and Greg" for Dirk and Chesty. The show "Two Guys and a Girl" can keep the name, but the plot would take on a different meaning. The networks would get their money's worth out of the cast of "Friends."

Or if mainstream TV is still too risqué, then how about Spanish television? If Spanish television was limited strictly to porn, think of the benefits! Every kid in Kittitas County would be bilingual by the age of seven. Sesame Street could make way for Sodomy Street.

We could break down ethnic barriers with the power of porn, all the while creating a new appreciation for expression and the human body. Call your cable provider now!

## Rap-Off lets students voice opinion and creativity

by John Hieger  
Staff reporter

People who feel they have the ability to step onstage and show the world their voice will get their chance this afternoon at the first ever "Poetry Rap-Off" at noon in the SUB Pit.

The Diversity Education Center is sponsoring Central Washington University's first open mic free-style exhibit in the hopes of encouraging students to display their poetic talents and to voice their verbal skills.

The name "Rap-Off" derives from the idea that rap and poetry are very similar, only varying in the content of the lyrics in many cases. Since rap is popular, event organizers Mike Grigg and Carolyn Malone figured the name would entice music fans as well as fans of poetry.

Malone was motivated to start

the "Rap-Off" because she saw what she perceived as a lack of poetic voice on campus. She remembered her days in Washington D.C. where people would host open "poetry slams." A "slam" is when somebody steps onstage, says their piece, and then the next person steps in and tries to one-up them.

Malone said this event will have less emphasis on offensive lyrics and more concentration on art.

"This is a chance for people to present, sing, say and share their creativity with the community," Malone said.

The "Rap-Off" is open to different styles of poetic expression; however, the event is not intended as a strictly open forum for Central students to free-style. Those who decide to participate are encouraged to voice poetic skills and leave the "angry stuff" at home.

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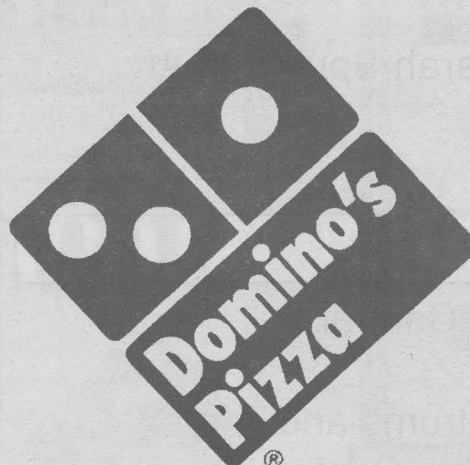


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# No almost for ‘Almost Famous’: This movie gets the grade



Kelly Allen

by Kelly Allen  
Staff reporter

For someone like myself, with an equal love for movies and music, a film like *Almost Famous* comes once in a decade. Past favorites in this genre have been *The Commitments* and *The Wall*, both directed by Alan Parker. But, a new “King of the Rock and

Roll Movie” may have arrived by the name of Cameron Crowe.

Crowe, whom most would know as the director of *Jerry Maguire*, his biggest (financial) success to date, has shown his love of music in the past. Such features as *Singles*, which boasts one of the greatest soundtracks of all time, and *Say Anything*, from which we all remember Lloyd Dobler holding up the boom box playing Peter Gabriel’s “In Your Eyes,” clearly show the importance of rock and roll in Crowe’s life.

With *Almost Famous*, an autobiographical account of Crowe’s teen years writing for *Rolling Stone* magazine, Crowe shows us the origins of his encyclopedic knowledge of the rock world.

Patrick Fugit is quite a find as William Miller, Crowe’s alter ego. He’s a young man,

in way over his head, writing about a fictional band called Stillwater, an amalgam of the bands Crowe actually wrote about in the early 1970s (including Led Zeppelin and The Allman Brothers). William has been commissioned by *Rolling Stone* to go on tour with the band for a few days and get the scoop. Along the way, he loses his virginity (in a way that may make the rest of his sex life pale in comparison), falls in love and reunites his estranged mother and sister.

Kate Hudson, (as groupie Penny Lane) is the runaway star of the film, giving surely the best performance I’ve ever seen by a 21-year-old actress.

Crowe has molded his excellent screenplay and talented cast into what I feel is the best film of the year. Don’t be surprised if the Academy nominates this one.

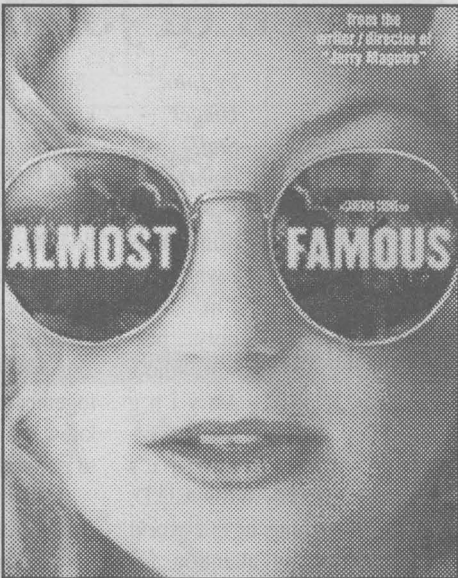


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## Campus Calendar

### Thursday

- Poetry “Rap Off”, noon SUB Pit
- Ellensburg Presidential Reception, 5 p.m. Kittitas County Museum

### Friday

- Suzuki Festival begins, noon Hertz Hall
- Log Hog, Canvas and others, 7 p.m. Mint, \$5 cover charge

### Saturday

- University Open House, 9 a.m.
- United Way 10k Run/Walk, 8 a.m. Irene Rinehart Park

### Monday

- Gallery Opening- “Self/Self...”, Sarah Spurgeon Art Gallery

### Tuesday

- Mr. and Ms. Central, 6 p.m. Club Central
- “Parenting-Battles, Hassles, Tantrums and Tears,” 4 p.m. Student Health and Counseling Center
- Geological Seminar- “The Submarine Geology of the Hawaiian Islands,” noon Lind 215

### Wednesday

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## Four Winds Bookstore hosts warm-up reading by local poet

**Kim Nowacki**  
Photo Editor

Sensibilities plus life experience equals creativity. Sensibilities plus tailored and controlled life experiences equals a creative writing course, "and that's bullshit," John Bennett, local poet, window washer, and musician, said during his poetry reading last Saturday.

About 15 friends filled the small, dim and smoky room adjacent to the Four Winds Bookstore and Cafe. Bennett, prepared with a pitcher of water and pre-rolled cigarettes laid out for the night, began his first poem about fallen idols, musical heroes and one lone figure that nobody knows. The room was quiet except for the creaking of chairs and the scratching of Bennett's voice.

I first met Bennett a year ago at the CD release party and reading for his spoken word album "Rug Burn." He reminded me of the old Beat (beatnik) writers of the '50s like Kerouac, Ginsburg and Burroughs. But to put Bennett in this category is too simple and not correct.

Bennett has an aura of the Beat Generation, but also of later writers such as Charles Bukowski, a close friend of his, and Leonard

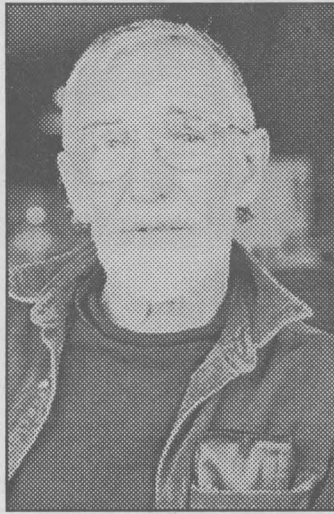
Cohen. He also has the voice of a reporter and regularly writes columns for the Daily Record.

Cigarette in hand, Bennett began an article the Record rejected. The title of the piece was "Smoke, smoke, smoke that cigarette," a story on the history of smoking in America and the failed attempts by this country to end the nicotine habits of its occupants. As Bennett finished the story, the room filled with a thick cloud as everyone lit up.

Bennett calls his poems "shards," pieces of life as he sees or remembers it. His fourth shard became more provocative, angry and mesmerizing as he spoke about the Vietnam War. One shard repeated the line "suffer them" like a dirty Beat version of "Blessed Be."

Bennett's writing reminds me of Bob Dylan's poetry, poignant and mostly obscure, but you know what they're both talking about. One of Bennett's lines reads, "What with the ice cubes that melt in the drink that's not working."

Bennett used the night as a warm up for a reading he will give this Sunday in Seattle. He is one of many poets and writers attending the "Book Fest," as he calls it. He was recently published in The Outlaw Book of American Poetry put out by Thunder's Mouth Press. He also has several of his own books published either through his



Kim Nowacki/Observer

**John Bennett prepares for a reading in Seattle.**

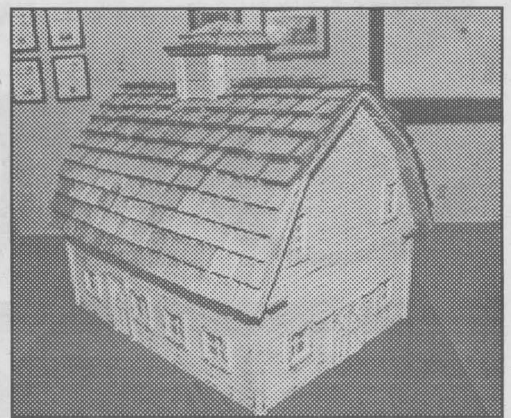
own press or others.

When Bennett finished his 10 to 15 poems, all written in the last 45 days, there was a long applause.

People in Ellensburg who have met John Bennett know whom they are meeting — an outlaw poet, a window washer, a publisher, a harmonica player, a writer, and an untailored experience of life. Even people who haven't met Bennett know who he is — people like the guy in South Carolina who sent Bennett a hundred-dollar bill in the mail after reading his work on the Internet. That man knows who he is; read some of his books and you will too.

## Smithsonian Institution exhibit displays Kittitas County culture

by Annie Rossman  
Staff reporter



Heather Trimm/Observer

Small towns are not commonly known for attracting big names like the Smithsonian Institute. Counties like Kittitas bring images of rural living, cows, tractors and barns, which is exactly why the Ellensburg Clymer Museum of Art was selected for the Smithsonian's traveling exhibition *Barn Again!* Celebrating an American Icon.

"Barns represent a vital aspect of the nation's cultural heritage," Gregory K. Drieger, Smithsonian exhibition curator, said. "This project gives us an opportunity to focus on imperiled buildings that are key to who we are as Americans."

*Barn Again!* gives a glimpse into some extraordinary stories in which barns have held a central role for centuries. Barns have filled multiple purposes ranging from warehouses and factories to people's homes. The Smithsonian does not provide this exhibition to any small town. There are certain requirements that must be met.

"Six museums in the state of Washington were chosen [for this exhibit] and the Clymer was the first out of the six," Erin Black, The Clymer Museum of Art's curator, said.

**The Clymer Museum hosts the Smithsonian Barn Again exhibit.**

Pictures of barns have been tools of the advertisement industry for years. Since the barn is a representative of American values, one might find the words "farm fresh" on their eggs, or a picture of a barn on a package of butter. They invite images of hard work and a traditional style of simple living.

Barns have remained prevalent in our cultural heritage, but these architectural legends are quickly disappearing.

It is a powerful way to generate community interest and create an awareness that could help ensure the fate of barns be kept alive in something other than pictures.

"Barn Again! Celebrating an American Icon" will remain at the Clymer Museum of Art until Oct. 29.

The Clymer Museum is located at 416 N Pearl St. Call 962-6416 for information.

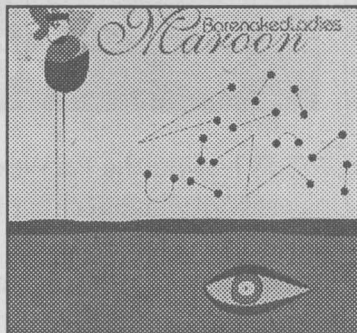
## Barenaked Ladies grow up with their music, but keep stage show fun

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1992, which was their major-label debut. Since then, they have released "Maybe You Should Drive," "Born on a Pirate Ship," "Rock Spectacle," "Stunt" and their most recent album "Maroon," which has sent them on an extensive tour across the United States.

The Barenaked Ladies' new CD, features the single "Pinch Me." Like other Barenaked Ladies'

albums the CD is musically upbeat. However, the Barenaked Ladies went a step farther for this CD. The lyrics come from a much more reflective place than ever before. This could be due to the band getting older and their material maturing, or it could be on account of what they've gone through these last couple of years with band member Kevin Hearn battling leukemia. Whatever the reason, these guys gave us a great CD.



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 Oct. 21 vs. Seattle 7 p.m.  
 Soccer: Oct. 21 @ Seattle  
 Oct. 22 @ Evergreen State  
 XC: Oct. 21 @ PacWest Championships

## Central to secede from PacWest



by Ericka Wood  
 Staff reporter

Central Washington University is among the 10 schools withdrawing from the 16 member Pacific West Conference.

Officials approved the withdrawal at their annual meeting Oct. 2 in Seattle.

The other schools seceding from the conference are: the University of Alaska Anchorage, the University of Alaska Fairbanks, Humboldt State University (Calif.), Northwest Nazarene University (Idaho), Saint Martin's College (Wash.), Seattle University, Seattle Pacific University, Western Oregon University and Western Washington University.

The six schools remaining in the Pacific West Conference are Hawaii Pacific University, Brigham Young University-Hawaii, Hawaii-Hilo University, Chaminade University (Hawaii), Hawaii Pacific University, Montana State University Billings and Western New Mexico University.

The vote at the annual meeting was unanimous; all of the involved schools and the executive council seem to be looking at the separation in a positive light.

"We wish the 10 the very best in their new conference," Pacific West Conference Commissioner Woody

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Central is one of 10 schools leaving the PacWest Conference effective July 1, 2001, including (clockwise from top left): University of Alaska-Fairbanks, University of Alaska-Anchorage, Northwest Nazarene University, Western Oregon University, Western Washington University, Seattle University, St. Martin's College, Seattle Pacific University, and Humboldt State University.

## Central women breeze through PLU



Linsy Nickels/ Observer

Central's top runner Alicen Maier finished third overall at the Pacific Lutheran University Invitational cross country meet.

### The Wildcats take first place at Pacific Lutheran University Invitational meet Saturday.

by Ahmed Namatalla  
 Staff reporter

Central Washington University's men's and women's cross country teams came home with positive results last Saturday running at the Pacific Lutheran University Invitational.

Led by sophomore Alicen Maier, the women's team placed seven runners in the top 20 and, in the process, took a landslide victory.

"I was really happy to see Alicen come back. She had a touch of the flu last week, but she didn't really miss a beat for herself," Coach Kevin Adkisson said.

Maier's time of 18:08 was good enough for a fifth place finish in the meet.

Central also benefited from the standout performance of the usually quiet Krissy Mathers.

The junior was the third Wildcat to cross the finish line in 18:44, and was happy to produce what she declared her best performance of the season on her 21st birthday.

"My outlook at the beginning was 'today is my day, and I'm not going to let feeling tired stop me'," Mathers said. "I'm finally getting to a place in the season where it feels natural to run at race pace," she said.

The Wildcat men rallied behind front runner Curt Stephan, who finished 22nd overall, to place a respectable fourth among the 16 competing squads.

"I was very happy with their performance," Adkisson said. "They did a great job. They kept each other in sight the whole race, and just kept pulling along."

In addition to Stephan's strong run, Central's men took advantage of senior David Simmons' performance. Simmons finished fifth for the Wildcats in 26:39, and was 38th overall.

"It was one of the fastest courses I've run. I was really happy with how our team did," Simmons said.

Central's cross country teams will be in Seattle this Saturday for the Conference Championship meet.



# BREAKUP: New conference remains unnamed

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Hahn said.

The schools that withdrew from the conference believe that the breakup was inevitable.

"A conference that large was just too difficult to manage," Central Athletic Director Jack Bishop said. "One big issue is that it was way too much time out of class for student athletes."

With the withdrawing schools being more centrally grouped, it should ease some of the financial burdens that come with traveling.

"This conference just made more sense financially, it eliminates some of the big trips the students have to make," Linda Goodrich, Western Washington University Athletic Director, said.

"Hopefully we'll be able to convert some of the travel savings into scholarships," Bishop said. "The real winners here should be the student athletes."

The only exceptions to the proximity of the schools in the new conference are the two universities in Alaska. However, those schools are committed to staying in the conference and do provide some travel guarantees.

Another benefit of having two smaller conferences is the increased opportunity for post-season play.

Both conferences will now have less competition for a national bid, and there will be more opportunity for athletes to gain more recognition within each conference.

The six remaining teams will continue on as the Pacific West Conference, keeping everything, including all post-season bids and conference monies.

The biggest change they will see administratively will be the induction of new conference president, Eric B. Shumway from Brigham Young University-Hawaii.

The new conference will spend the majority of the coming year organizing.

"Our number one priority right now is to get all of our paperwork in to the NCAA so we can become recognized as a conference," Bishop said.

Athletic directors from each school have taken on an area of responsibility for the new conference, including finances, recognition, and hiring a new commissioner.

"We're trying to share responsibilities but there's a lot of work ahead in this transitional year," Goodrich said.

The new conference, which is still unnamed, will hold another meeting in early November.

"We hope to have everything moving by the NCAA convention in January," Bishop said.

The new conference will become official July 1, 2001.



Linsy Nickels/ Observer

## Cross country men take fourth place Saturday

Running through the tight trails at the PLU Invitational on Saturday, Central's Jeremy Rice (number 163) fights his way through the pack.

## Central soccer snaps winless streak Friday

By Thabiso M. Leshoai  
Staff reporter

Central Washington University's women's soccer team overcame a five-match winless streak Friday, when they beat Western Oregon University 1-0.

The match went into double overtime and sophomore forward, Kim Glusick, ended the goal drought in the 115th minute.

"We were just pounding the goal more this time; a goal should have gone in the first few minutes," Glusick said.

Central could have had at least two goals, but a corner kick by Lisa Buckley, which hit the top of the net, didn't get called in.

Head coach Michael Farrand said that they played with emotion this time around; they fought and it mattered.

"We've been coasting since we lost to Seattle University," Farrand said.

Central plays Seattle University on Saturday with an opportunity to redeem the loss Seattle rendered to them here at home. Seattle lost 0-1 against Western Washington University last weekend.

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# Prime time players help Central win

Junior scores game-winning goal Friday versus WOU

by Aaron Clifford  
Staff reporter

Although she is only a sophomore, Kim Glusick plays a senior role on the Central women's soccer team. Scoring the winning goal during overtime in their last game, she considers herself a team leader.

"I encourage my teammates, but I also get feedback from my teammates to me as well," she said.

Although the Central women dominated Western Oregon throughout the game, the crucial game-winning play didn't come until overtime.

When asked to explain the play, Glusick said, "The ball was crossed in front of the goal and I thought Esther had it, but it went by her. It was on the outside, she played it back in, and it was a one touch goal."

"This sort of play is not spectacular to her, though.

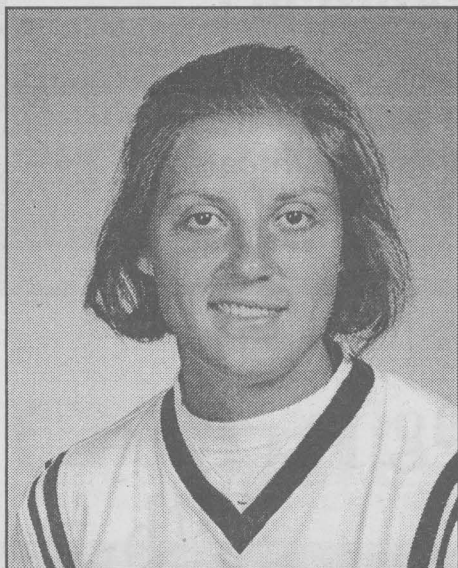
"It just happens," she said. "I think any player can do it at this level."

The Central women have had their share of bad games this season, but Glusick believes that the team is over it.

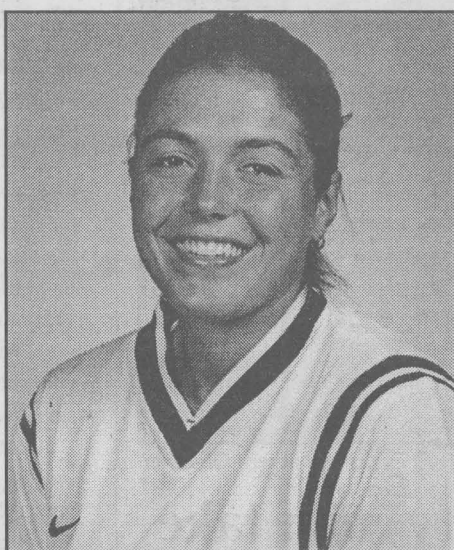
"We've had rough times, but we stuck through it," she said. "The game proved it; we have a win."

Glusick is excited about the team's new coach.

"I think he's a lot more descriptive, a more technical coach," she said. "He's going to help build the program; good players will come to Central for him."



**Kim Glusick**  
CWU Athlete of the Week



**Emily Barber**  
CWU Athlete of the Week

Goalie holds opponent scoreless in overtime win

by Tim Bottorff  
Sports Editor

Being a goalkeeper does not entail standing around in a box until the soccer ball comes your way. Just ask Emily Barber, goalie for the Wildcats.

A goalie is like a general on the field, making decisions and shouting directions to the soldiers in battle.

Friday, Barber kept goal for 115 minutes against the Western Oregon Wolves. She held them scoreless on seven shots until her team scored the winning goal in double overtime.

"I stayed pumped at the break," the fitness and sports management major said. "Your intensity rises in overtime."

Adrenaline wasn't the only thing keeping Barber going. Her skills have earned her rankings among the best goalies in the conference.

Barber downplays her statistics, though, preferring to praise her teammates for getting over their recent winless streak.

"We have rebounded," she said. "Chemistry and regaining focus is what's kept this team together."

Barber said the team respects Michael Farrand, their new coach.

"He's easygoing usually, but hard on us when he should be," she said.

Barber would like to be a fitness trainer at a health club when she graduates.

Until then, she prefers shutting down strikers who dare enter her domain.

# Hikers follow trail of empty beer cans to top

by Aaron Clifford  
Staff reporter



**Outdoors with Aaron Clifford**

We'd been following their trail for about three hours. The crumpled cans of Busch Lite were still warm and we knew they were close. As we rounded a corner on a steep switchback we heard their calls. They stood in a group, their orange coats shining in the morning sun. We approached cautiously. A twig snapped. Suddenly they spotted us and turned, their rifles swinging in our direction.

"Hey, how's it going?" I asked.

"Not too good we haven't seen a deer all morning," the hunter said.

Fall is hunting season in the Alpine Lakes area. Orange vests and camouflage hats can be seen behind every tree, and crumpled beer cans are found on most trails. The presence of hunters is no reason to stay out of the backcountry though; fall is a great time for many of the nearby hikes and climbs. Clear weather and colder temperatures can make hikes that would have been hot and intolerable in the summer quite nice.

When we ran into the hunters, Fred and I were headed for the summit of Davis Peak.

This peak lies on the boundary between the Alpine Lakes Wilderness and the Wenatchee National Forest. It is one of the most recognizable peaks in the area because its summit is a half-circle shaped ridge of bare rock. At 6,426 feet it is also one of the tallest peaks accessible from the Alpine Lakes area.

The trail starts by crossing a bridge over the Cle Elum River, then it heads uphill. The first four miles after the river are a seemingly endless series of switchbacks. This sort of trail is typical of the Alpine Lakes region.

The trail passed a few small campsites and a spooky-looking stump with an old jacket hung over it. Thoughts of the Blair Witch Project were hard to ignore, and we found ourselves turning around to see if it had moved after we had passed it.

Eager to leave the dusty trail, Fred and I scrambled to the first of several false summits. Much of the rock on Davis Peak is broken and loose, split by the freezing and thawing that takes place almost year-round at this elevation.

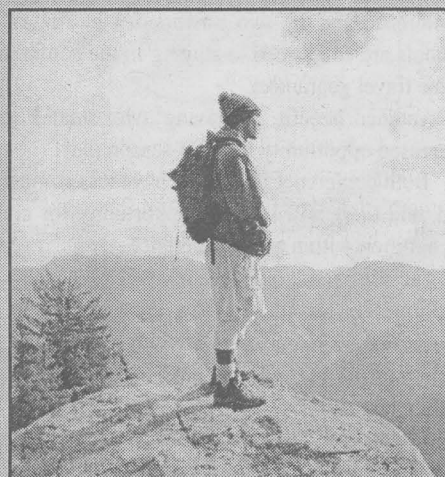
Bouldering up some of the more solid pieces of rock, we moved along the ridge

toward the highpoint.

The true summit of Davis Peak lies in the center of the ridge, but it is not much higher than the surrounding ridgeline. The trail becomes a thin, almost unidentifiable track at this point, and we were forced to pick our own course to the top.

Scouting out a place near the summit, we sat down to enjoy a well-earned lunch. From the peak we could see down the shining Cle Elum River and through the valley. To the east Mt. Stuart was clearly visible.

Davis Peak is considerably more difficult than hiking Manastash Ridge, but does not require any more effort than Mt. Si in North Bend. The extra driving and hiking necessary to reach Davis Peak is a small price to pay for the big mountain views.



Aaron Clifford/ Observer

The view atop Davis Peak makes the short drive worthwhile.

Because Davis Peak is at a relatively high elevation, those who plan to hike it will need some extra gear. Temperatures and weather conditions change rapidly on Davis Peak, so rain gear and warm clothing are always necessary. Because it is hunting season it's best to wear bright colors. It is also important to carry a topographic map of the area. The U.S.G.S. map for Kachess Lake includes Davis Peak and can be found at Mountain High Sports for about \$3.

Directions: To reach the Davis Peak trailhead, drive west on I-90. Take the Cle Elum exit and follow the signs toward Roslyn. While in Roslyn, be sure to stop at the local bakery or, on the return trip, the Brick Tavern. Continue out of Roslyn, pass through the tiny town of Ronald and follow Salmon La Sac Road until it turns to gravel. Immediately after the change, take a right on road #4330. Follow this rough washboard road to the sign for Davis Peak, which will be on the left.

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# Volleyball falls versus top teams on trip to Hawaii

by Phil Prothero  
Staff reporter

Central Washington University (8-13, 6-5 PacWest) felt the agony of defeat last weekend when they were swept in three games by eighth-ranked Brigham Young University-Hawaii and top ranked Hawaii Pacific University.

The Wildcats had their work cut out for them Friday night when they faced BYU-Hawaii (9-4, 5-1 PacWest) led by First-Team All-American outside hitter Vanessa Valansi.

Valansi recorded 13 kills, 11 digs, an ace and a block to help down the Wildcats 15-8, 15-6, and 15-8.

Central came into the match as the top blocking team in the PacWest Conference, but the Seasideers were too much to handle as they outblocked the Wildcats 4-2.

"We had a lack of communication," junior outside hitter Kim Werkau said.

Central was led by junior outside hitter Katie Orgill as she recorded eight kills. Freshman outside hitter Julie Roberts added six.

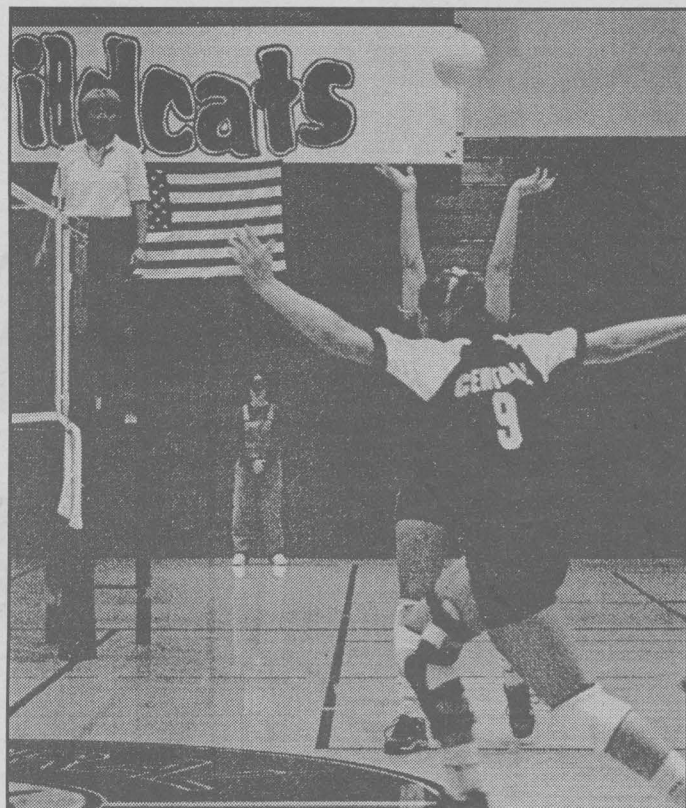
On Saturday night the Wildcats took on powerhouse Hawaii Pacific (14-0, 7-0 PacWest) at St. Andrew's Gym in Honolulu.

The Sea Warriors showed why they are ranked number one when they defeated Central 15-6, 15-4, and 15-6 to sweep the match.

"They were huge," said sophomore outside hitter Carolyn Mires.

"I think we competed well," head coach Mario Andaya said. "At times we were up on Hawaii Pacific. They seemed kind of disgruntled and whenever you can disgruntle those international caliber players it's kind of a reward."

Hawaii Pacific was led by All-American outside hitter Debbie Sant'Anna's flawless hitting as she went 11-11 in the match with no errors. Sant'Anna and outside hitter Susy Garbelotti teamed up in game two to go 15-16 with no errors.



Matt Erickson/Observer

Central volleyball will attempt to set up two wins this weekend. The Wildcats take on Northwest Nazarene and Seattle University at home.

Their combined effort broke the school record for best team hitting percentage in a game when Hawaii Pacific tallied 12 kills in 14 attempts with one error in game two.

Hawaii Pacific shut them down by scoring nine unanswered points in the first game and 11 in the second.

"A lot of things weren't clicking that usually click," said Mires.

Central was led by Orgill who smashed nine kills. Sophomore rightside Cerena Laurance, Mires and Werkau each added six.

The Wildcats continue PacWest action Friday night when they host Northwest Nazarene and Seattle University at 7 p.m. on Saturday night in Nicholson Pavilion. Central is looking for revenge after Northwest Nazarene rallied to steal a hard-fought match from the Wildcats the first time they met on Sept. 23.

"If we compete the way we did against Hawaii Pacific I think we're going to play well," Andaya said.

Saturday night Central will be shooting to sweep Seattle University in three straight games as they did in their first contest on Sept. 21.

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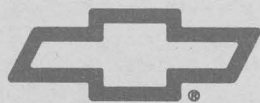
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He asks them, "What are you doing? Isn't it hot enough for you?"

The two guys reply, "We're from Seattle, the land of rain and cold. We're just happy to warm up a bit."

Angry, the devil decides to turn up the heat on the two guys and make them really suffer. He turns up the heat in hell, making the other people in hell wail, moan and scream.

Then the devil checks in on the two guys from Washington. He finds them in shorts and Hawaiian shirts grilling burgers and drinking beer. The devil is astonished.

He says, "Everyone else is miserable, but you two are living it up. What's the deal?"

The two guys reply, "When it's this nice in Seattle, we just gotta have a cookout."

The devil gets really ticked off, and, instead of turning up the heat again, he turns it off, making hell freezing cold.

He then checks in on the two guys. He finds them back in parkas and hats, cheering, yelling and jumping up and down. The devil is really confused.

He asks them, "Why are you guys so happy?"

They reply, "If hell froze over, that means the Mariners are in the World Series!"



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